



Minnesota Ag News - Small Grains Summary

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In the Nov. 10 Crop Production report, the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) published several changes to estimates made in the *Small Grains 2009 Summary* released Sept. 30.

In late October, NASS re-contacted producers in Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming who had reported in September that they had not yet finished harvesting barley, oats, durum wheat or other spring wheat. This enabled NASS to determine how many of the acres were actually harvested and to record the actual production from those acres. Based on the updated information, several changes were made to the estimates published in the *Small Grains 2009 Summary*. Those updates relevant to Minnesota and the United States totals are referenced in the following information.

MINNESOTA SPRING WHEAT PRODUCTION DOWN 19 PERCENT FROM 2008

Minnesota's **SPRING WHEAT** production is estimated at **82.2** million bushels, a decrease of **19** percent, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Spring wheat yield, at **53.0** bushels per acre, is down **3** bushels from 2008. Spring wheat harvested area for grain is 1.55 million acres, down 14 percent from last year.

WINTER WHEAT production, at 2.03 million bushels, is down 44 percent from last year. Acres harvested for grain in 2009 are 45,000 acres, down 36 percent from last year. Yield, at 45.0 bushels per acre, is down 7 bushels from 2008.

OAT production is estimated at 12.1 million bushels, up 1 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain is 170,000 acres, down 3 percent from 2008, and the lowest harvested acreage since 1866. Yield, at 71.0 bushels per acre, is up 3 bushels from last year.

BARLEY production of **4.9** million bushels is down **32** percent from last year. Barley harvested is 80,000 acres, down 27 percent from last year, and the lowest harvested acreage since 1875. Yield, at **61.0** bushels per acre, is down **4** bushels from 2008.

MINNESOTA & U.S. HARVESTED ACRES, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

COMMODITY	2008 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2009 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2008 YIELD	2009 YIELD	2008 PRODUCTION (000)	2009 PRODUCTION (000)
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MINNESOTA

SPRING WHEAT (Bu)	1,800	1,550	56.0	53.0	100,800	82,150
WINTER WHEAT (Bu)	70	45	52.0	45.0	3,640	2,025
BARLEY (Bu)	110	80	65.0	61.0	7,150	4,880
OATS (Bu)	175	170	68.0	71.0	11,900	12,070

UNITED STATES

SPRING WHEAT (Bu)	13,517	12,955	40.5	45.1	548,004	584,411
WINTER WHEAT (Bu)	39,608	34,485	47.1	44.2	1,867,333	1,522,718
BARLEY (Bu)	3,779	3,113	63.6	73.0	240,193	227,323
OATS (Bu)	1,400	1,379	63.7	67.5	89,135	93,081